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Just received—A lot of brass candlesticks at Woodfield's Art Store, Bond Street.

Ladies' bath robes at Danzigers'.

Mrs. J. L. Cole presented her husband with a 12-pound boy yesterday morning.

Hans Anderson of Altoona is a papa now. His wife presented him with a son and heir Sunday.

25 per cent off on fancy Chinaware and money satchels this week only. Woodfield's Art Store, Bond street.

Repairs have been made to the electric light system of the Astoria Electric Company and the plant is now in good running order.

A lecture under the auspices of the Women's Club at Odd Fellows' hall last evening was well attended. The Elks gave up their meeting to the club.

The Shetland colts are the drawing card at the Unique this week. Nothing like them ever seen before in Astoria. An unusually attractive program this week.

N. D. Brain has a force of men at work floating his output of logs cut during the winter to Skipanon. The total output up to date is nearly two million feet.

The degree of Pocahontas, auxiliary to the Red Men, will give a rag time ball at Logan's hall next Monday evening. The object of the dance is for the reorganization of the society.

C. H. Abercrombie received a telegram yesterday from Montana stating that his mother was seriously ill and not expected to recover. Mr. Abercrombie left for Montana yesterday.

**Smoking Jackets at Danzigers'.**

The funeral of the late Thomas A. Hyland will occur this morning at 10 o'clock from Grace church. The funeral will be under the auspices of the Odd Fellows. The interment will be in the Odd Fellows' plot in Ocean View cemetery. The services at the grave will be private.

**Holiday Neckwear at Danzigers'.**

There is no complaint about business at the Star saloon. Good goods and courteous treatment will draw trade to any first-class saloon. That's what makes business good at the Star. The best is none too good for our customers.

The ladies of the M. E. church will hold their annual sale next Friday, the 16th, in the basement of the Presbyterian church. Fancy and useful articles, especially adapted for Christmas, delicious sweets and refreshments for sale.

The lecture given last evening by Hon. D. Soils Cohen of Portland before the Woman's Club at Odd Fellows' hall was well attended. The subject, "Women of the Book," was handled by Mr. Cohen in a masterly manner and was both instructive and interesting.

A regular meeting of the Oregon pilot commissioners was held yesterday. Routine business was transacted, licenses were renewed to Captain C. S. Gunderson and H. A. Mathews, bar pilots, and licenses were refused to H. T. Groves and C. J. Anderson, as river pilots.

At a meeting of the Columbia river cannerymen held yesterday afternoon at the office of the Columbia River Packers' Association, remedial legislation was discussed at length, but no definite conclusion was arrived at, owing to a difference of opinion between the Oregon and Washington cannerymen.

**Smoking Jackets at Danzigers'.**

An adjourned meeting of the representatives of Oregon and Washington to the state legislatures, and the master fish warden of Oregon and fish commissioner of Washington, will be held in Astoria tomorrow. The object of the meeting is to formulate necessary laws for the government of the fishing industry of the state.

The Seaside saw mill has been closed down this week on account of installing a new boiler. The saw and door factory is running to fill orders. The box factory will not be started up until the new boiler is installed. By next Monday it is expected that the mill, saw and door factory and box factory will run continuously. About 100 men are employed with a monthly payroll of nearly \$10,000. Business at Seaside is reported as improving.

**Holiday neckwear at Danzigers'.**

Mt. Stanglund, republican candidate for councilman in the third ward, has resided in Astoria a number of years, and is considered an enterprising citizen.

zen. He is not a politician, although he has been interested in public affairs. He is not favorable nor antagonistic to saloons, and on the drain question, which seems to be the bone of contention, he will favor any scheme that will redound to the benefit of the Third ward. He has taken an active interest in labor organizations and is considered a very conservative man.

Christmas novelties at Hoefler's have been received. All candy manufactured at home, 10 cents per pound and up. Decorations for Christmas surpass anything ever brought to Astoria. Everything in the line of confections and pure candy guaranteed to be first-class. The largest and most complete line in Astoria can be procured at Hoefler's.

At the annual meeting of the Scandinavian Benevolent Society held last evening, the following officers were elected for the ensuing term: President, Ludvig Larsen; vice president, Hans Neymand; secretary, John Nordstrom; financial secretary, Fred A. Johnson; treasurer, H. Exstrom; trustees, one year, C. S. Gunderson, three years, Olof Anderson; finance committee, Adolph Halsan, W. Whlgren; physicians, Dra. Fulton and Mohn.

**Suit cases at Danzigers'.**

The Palace Turkish baths are a source of delight to the patrons who frequent the establishment—courteous treatment and your comfort guarded. Lady attendants furnished for lady patrons by appointment. These baths are especially recommended by the leading physicians of the city and respectfully solicit your patronage. Turkish baths and bed \$1.00. Russian bath 50 cents.

If outside appearances are of any significance, Eilers Piano house is certainly doing a landoffice business. Hardly a day has passed this week that an instrument or two has not gone in or out of the store, while today the sidewalk was fairly blocked with instruments they are getting in for the Christmas trade. This firm is a great believer in the judicious use of printers' ink and should any of the other local merchants desire advertising testimony they should ask these people for their views.

A petition has been circulated among the cannerymen, fishermen and others engaged in the fishing industry of Washington, asking for the reappointment of Link C. Burton as deputy fish commissioner. Some of the sore-head politicians of Cathlamet had circulated a petition asking for his removal, and only succeeded in getting 20 signatures, and most of them did not know what they were signing. Mr. Burton has made an efficient official and has many friends in Oregon and Washington. Mr. Burton's petition contains the names of over 500 persons engaged in the fishing industry.

The city election occurs in Astoria today. The principal contest is over the office of city attorney. A. M. Smith, the present incumbent and F. J. Taylor are the candidates. George W. Morton and Martin Franciscovitch are candidates for councilman in the Second ward and Mr. Stanglund and Hans Jacobson in the Third ward. There is no councilman to elect in the First ward. While the registrations are 200 below that of last year, the indications are that the vote will be nearly up to that cast last year. The polls open at 9 o'clock and close at 7.

An entertainment was given last evening by Gateway tent No. 33, K. O. T. M., at Hanthorn hall. The Knights entertained the Lady Maccabees and their friends. The following program was rendered: Piano selection by Mrs. Lamira Wirt; instrumental solo, Miss Rosa Amundsen; song, Master Frank Cearn; address, Dr. H. L. Henderson; instrumental solo, Miss May Hoffmann; solo, Miss Clara Larsen; song, "America" by the congregation. A fine lunch was served and dancing indulged in until a late hour. A very enjoyable time was had.

The highest salaried artists ever brought to Astoria are the Salls Bros., under the direction of Edward Sobargo, the inventors of the wonderful musical instrument, the Mexican La-Mirimba. This instrument was designed by the Salls brothers, and displays the work of inventive genius. There is not a particle of iron or metal in the instrument, being made exclusively of Mexican wood. The sweet strains produced in the many classical and popular airs discoursed is the wonder and admiration of the thousands who have listened to it at the Star this week. Every night this week the Star has been crowded to overflowing attracted in part by the wonderful Mexican musical instrument and by the peerless performance on the boards at this popular resort this week. A continuation of the securing of high-class artists now in vogue is certain to make the Star the par excellence of vaudeville shows.

**Notice.**  
All persons having bands of the La Imperial and La Veras cigars must turn them over to the members of the committee not later than Saturday, December 24, at 1 o'clock p. m. sharp. For further particulars see committee. By order, Committee CIGARMAKERS' UNION.

**CHARTER AMENDMENTS.**

**Although no Meeting Has Been Held, Changes Are Being Considered.**  
The common council appointed a committee to consider necessary amendments to the city charter. Although the committee has not held a meeting, the representatives in the legislature have formulated certain amendments which they consider necessary, subject to the approval of the charter committee. Hon. J. N. Laws, one of the representatives, is in favor of certain amendments, among which are the following:

Amending the charter so that all the councilmen are elected every two years. As it is now, the election of councilmen is so badly mixed up that it requires an opinion from the city attorney to determine when an election is necessary.

All officers to be elected shall be elected at a general election to be held in June at the regular state election. This will save the trouble and expense of conducting elections in the city. There is no reason why the state elections and the city elections should not occur at the same time.

Another amendment suggested by Mr. Laws, is the abolishment of the police commission and the appointment of the chief of police and the chief of the fire department by the mayor, making the mayor responsible for all the acts of the city officials. As to the propriety of abolishing the police commission there is a wide divergence of opinion, and it is doubtful if such an amendment would be popular. As to the other amendments, the Astorian is in hearty accord with Mr. Laws and believes they will redound to the benefit of the city and be a great saving in expense. They are certainly worthy of careful consideration.

**"Shore Acres."**

Next Tuesday evening at Fishers' the beautiful comedy drama, "Shore Acres," will be produced and Astorians will no doubt witness the most perfect performance in its history. From the Seattle Daily Times we clip the following:

"Shore Acres," the fine play of American home life, written and formerly acted by the late James A. Hearn, opened for three nights to a capacity house and much applause at the Grand last evening. The play is not new here, but its welcome, judging from its reception last evening, is far from worn out. The company is, as always, capable.

James T. Galloway is extremely clever in the leading role, every word, gesture or facial expression seeming to bring the lovable old man closer into touch with his audience. Atkins Lawrence plays Martin Berry better than he ever did, seeming to throw added vigor into the strong scenes in which he figures. Mrs. Belle Theodore is again a capital May Berry, and others, including Roy Stephenson, once a popular coast defender with the Frawley company, fill their parts well. Seat sale opens at Griffin's book store next Monday morning.

**Fancy Vests at Danzigers'.**

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